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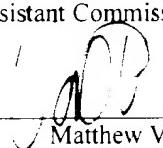
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Sir:

This amendment is being filed in reply to the outstanding Office Action, mailed September 21, 2000, in connection with the above application. The time period for response has been extended to March 21, 2001, by the accompanying petition for a three-month extension of time. Please enter the following amendments:

**In the claims:**

40. (Twice Amended) A nucleic acid encoding a chimeric protein which binds a nucleic acid comprising a composite binding site, wherein the chimeric protein comprises two nucleic acid-binding domains, each of which binds a sequence which is a portion of the composite binding site, wherein only one of the two nucleic acid-binding domains includes a zinc finger motif, and wherein the two nucleic acid-binding domains

(i) do not occur in the same protein in nature;